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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 127 By Shepard

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Ronny L. Greer upon his election as Illustrious Potentate of the Al Menah Shriners.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is proud to recognize those fraternal organizations and their officers and members who make great efforts to improve conditions in their communities, state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the Al Menah Shrine Temple is one such active and dedicated organization, whose membership recently elected Mr. Ronny L. Greer of Dickson as their Illustrious Potentate; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Greer was born June 9, 1954, the second of four children of John Greer and the late Emma Fussell Greer of Charlotte; he attended the public schools of Charlotte and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Austin Peay State University in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Ronny Greer became a licensed certified public accountant and served as a tax consultant with Deloitte and Touche, CPAs until 1982, when Work and Greer, CPAs was

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formed in Nashville. Work and Greer represents clients throughout this state and the Southeast, and Mr. Greer has been its managing director since 1988; and

WHEREAS, Ronny Greer is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the Tennessee Society of CPAs. Mr. Greer has served on the board of directors of CPAmerica International, the largest network of independent CPA firms in the world, since 1996, and is currently serving as chairman of the board of this professional organization, headquartered in Gainesville, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Ronny Greer is active in local and regional service organizations where his considerable abilities are much sought after; he serves on the board of directors and the finance committee of the Nashville Downtown Partnership, an affiliate of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Greer was elected mayor of Charlotte in 1977 at the age of 23 and held that post for six years; later, he served three years on the Dickson County Commission. Mr. Greer is a member of the Dickson Country Club and the Nashville City Club; and

WHEREAS, Ronny Greer was raised a master mason in Charlotte Lodge No. 97, F&AM in 1982 and served as worshipful master of the lodge in 1986; he is a York Rite Mason and a 32 degree KCCH Scottish Rite Mason active in Nashville bodies where he serves as an assistant class director; and

WHEREAS; Mr. Greer joined Al Menah Shrine Temple in 1983 and remains active in the organization; his service includes president of the Dickson County Shrine Club in 1988, captain of the Potentate's Guard unit in 1994, membership in the Brentwood Shrine Golf Group, membership in the Royal Order of Jesters and holding office in the Order of Quetzelcoatl; and

WHEREAS, Ronny Greer's sterling qualities and indisputable dedication and ability resulted in his election as oriental guide of Al Menah in 1997; he was elevated on the divan each year until his election as Illustrious Potentate on January 16, 2001; and

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WHEREAS; his success in business and his advancement in the Shrine aside, Potentate Greer is fortunate to enjoy the love and support of his wife, Luanne, and their children, Carolyn and John. The Greer family, residents of Dickson, are active members of the First United Methodist Church of Dickson, and enjoy the children's sporting events, the University of Tennessee football games, travel and working on the family farm in Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this legislative body should recognize and applaud such an outstanding record of service and achievement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we congratulate Mr. Ronny L. Greer of Dickson upon his election as Illustrious Potentate of the Al Menah Shrine Temple, and thank him for his life of service to the people of his community, state and nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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